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Dear Ms. O'Connor:

This letter is a first interim response to your September 27, 2017, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Specifically, you requested the following records:

- 1. All communications, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational materials, draft legislation, talking points, or other documents received by representatives of HHS from, sent by representatives of HHS to, or exchanged between representatives of HHS and representatives of the Susan B. Anthony List, Concerned Women for America, the Heritage Foundation, and/or the Center for Family and Human Rights ("C-Fam") regarding the January 23 presidential memorandum reinstating the Mexico City Policy,1 or the Department of State's May 15 "Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance" plan implementing the policy.
- 2. All calendar entries reflecting meetings between representatives of HHS and representatives of the Susan B. Anthony List, Concerned Women for America, the Heritage Foundation, and/or C-Fam regarding the January 23 presidential memorandum reinstating the Mexico City Policy, or the Department of State's May 15 "Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance" plan implementing the policy.
- 3. All communications, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational materials, draft legislation, talking points, or other documents received by representatives of HHS from, sent by representatives of HHS to, or exchanged between representatives of HHS Development, and/or the Trump White House regarding the January 23 presidential memorandum reinstating the Mexico City Policy, or the Department of State's May 15 "Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance" plan implementing the policy.
- 4. All calendar entries reflecting meetings between representatives of HHS and representatives of the Department of State, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and/or the Trump White House regarding the January 23 presidential memorandum reinstating the Mexico City Policy, or the Department of State's May 15 "Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance" plan implementing the policy. and representatives of the Department of State, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and/or the Trump White House regarding the January 23 presidential memorandum reinstating the Mexico City Policy, or the Department of State's May 15 "Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance" plan implementing the policy.

For this first interim response, the Department has processed 501 pages of potentially responsive records captured in the agency's search. The 501 pages of records referenced above were subject to a thorough and detailed review by the FOIA Office. However, only one page of the records reviewed was responsive to any of the four items of your FOIA request, and the remaining 500 pages were determined to be non-responsive to the request. The responsive page contains information originating with the Department of State, and thus must be referred to the Department of State. We are referring the one responsive page referenced above to the Department of State for direct response to you.

We will continue to review the remaining records as efficiently and expeditiously as possible, consistent with our available resources. Should you have questions or concerns regarding the Department's response and\or the processing of your request, any such issues should be communicated to your legal counsel and Department of Justice Attorney representing the Department in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Michael S. Marquis

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